



COVID-19: Uttarakhand issues new guidelines for wedding ceremonies in Uttarakhand.

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In view of [COVID-19](#), Uttarakhand Chief Secretary on Saturday (Oct 09) issued fresh guidelines that only 200 people will be allowed to attend wedding ceremonies in side a closed hall in Uttarakhand, whereas there is no limit on number of guests in outdoor gatherings.

Detailed SOP is as follows: -

- Marriages can be held with no more than 200 guests in a closed hall, however there is no limit on outdoor gatherings.
- The event must be conducted in a public place with good natural ventilation.
- Sanitizers must be provided at the entrance and at other appropriate places.
- Washrooms to have soap and water for all guests to wash their hands.
- The venue must be sanitized with a disinfectant 1% sodium hypo-chloride or phenolic disinfectants.
- Staff/Waiters/Chef/Security personnel must wear masks and gloves and also take other precautionary measures.
- Dining areas with sitting areas should not allow more than 4 persons per table and practice spacing of minimum 6.00 feet between chairs and in buffet areas.
- An individual must be appointed as a nodal person to oversee that Covid appropriate behaviour is being followed.
- For metallic surfaces 70% alcohol can be used to wipe down surfaces.
- Spitting/gutka will be completely prohibited.
- All guests must have their temperature taken before entering the venue.
- Any guest with fever above 99.5°F or 37.5°C, cough, cold will not be permitted to attend the wedding.
- People above the age of 65 years, children below the age of 10 years and pregnant women are not advised to attend public gatherings.
- Every guest must wear a mask at all times.

Chief Secretary said that the state will have to be proactive in preventing the spread of the virus in the upcoming festive season and instructed all the DMs to be thoroughly prepared to cope up with the situation.

Adherence to social distancing and Covid-19-appropriate behaviour in crowded places including markets, hotels, restaurants should also be ensured, he added.